(b) if so, the details thereof, indicating the amount of power each of it would produce;

(c) whether any such station would also be set up in Orissa coast, and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) The efforts of the Government to access international cooperation open up the possibility of setting up large capacity nuclear power stations comprising of Light Water Reactors based on imports at coastal locations. The actual setting up of these reactors would however, depend on the international developments in this regard.

(b) The Site Selection Committee (SSC) set up by the Government is currently evaluating potential of sites offered by coastal states. The power capacity of the stations can be in the range of 6,000 to 10,000 MWe.

(c) and (d) A site at Patisonapur in Orissa is among the sites being evaluated by the SSC.

Atomic Power Plant in MP

†4590. MISS ANUSUIYA UIKEY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a)whether a proposal to set up an atomic power in Madhya Pradesh is under consideration;

(b) if so, what would be its production capacity;

(c) the quantum of power, state-wise, to be provided from this plant;

(d) by when it would be approved; and

(e) what would be the cost of it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) No, Sir. However, the sites in Madhya Pradesh are also among the sites being evaluated for locating future Nuclear Power Plants. No decision has been taken in this regard.

(b) to (e) Do not arise in view of (a) above.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.